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Shalom laYehudim, Shalom laBnai Noach, Shalom laGoyim. It's the evening of the 2nd day, *yud-dales beSivan, tav-shin-ayin-beh, Parashas Behaaloskha*, the evening of the 1st day, Sunday, 31 May 2015, webcasting from Israel, down to earth Israel; material, post-spiritual, post-religious Israel.

Well, the top story here at the end of last week and into this week, which I did not bring up, was the imminent expulsion from the international soccer association because the international terrorist criminal Jibril Rajoub, head of the Ancient Palestinian footballers association accused Israel of a being a "racist, discriminatory, humiliating oppressor" of his ancient people in the matter of their freedom to play football wherever and whenever they want in the West Bank and Gaza.

You see, Israel keeps its eye on lots of Arabians in Judea and Samaria and Gaza and it is no surprise that some of those eager to shed Jewish blood have been detained by police and the GSS on suspicion of homicidal plans for Jews, and that they have belonged to these football teams is immaterial.

What a farce all around. Last week, the head of the FIFA, Sepp Blatter, who everyone connected to the game seems to agree is unbelievably corrupt and in fact has just been indicted in the U.S. for bribe-taking, paid Israel a visit and spoke to the prime minister about this effort to suspend Israeli teams from international competition because Jibril Rajoub says Israel treats Ancient Palestinian footballers in a racist and humiliating manner. He also called for Jewish youth teams in the communities in Judea and Samaria to be shut down.

Frantic Israeli calls were made to scores of the 208 federation members asking them not to vote against Israel, and in the end, Jibril Rajoub dropped his demand and even shook hands with Ofer Eini, head of the Israeli association.

For this, Rajoub is now being cursed for backing down, but he defends his choice. It seems that the very corrupt Blatter, who did not want to see Israel suspended, nonetheless advised the prime minister that he had to make some concessions and apparently, the prime minister did. According to the Times of Israel site, "In the last few days, Israel offered a four-point compromise to the 'Palestinians,' granting 'Palestinian' soccer players and coaches special identification cards to allow them to pass more or less freely between Gaza and the "West Bank" and the between the "West Bank" and Israel's Ben-Gurion Airport, so they could travel overseas with minimal hindrance. Also, the PM promised aid and approval for the construction of stadiums and soccer fields in the "West Bank;" tax exemptions for sporting supplies passing through Israeli ports on their way to Balestinian soccer clubs; and the establishment of a trilateral committee of officials from Israel, the Balestinian Authority and FIFA that would be tasked with resolving problems as they arise.

Still, despite all these offers, Rajoub rejected them. He said there would be no withdrawing his demand for suspension unless the Israeli Football Association also kicked out the five soccer clubs from "West Bank" settlements and FIFA also established a committee to investigate racism in Israeli soccer.

Ofer Eini said, "There is no chance that Israel would be an accessory to such a thing, even if it meant going to a full vote in which Israel had to get at least 26% of the votes.

I suspect too that in the end, Rajoub thought he might lose that vote and that would be a true humiliation.

Overall, all yours truly, this aging expert on the Barbary Pirates, could do was slowly shake his head at the timeless behavior here on display by these Ishmaelites, these enemies of civilization.

You know what this? This is behavior identical to that of the Barbary Pirate city states, their pashas and beys and deys and potentates, whose principle activity hundreds of years ago, whether they ruled in Morocco, Algiers, Tunis or Tripoli, was threatening hijacking and the enslaving of Europeans unless a European power upped its annual "tribute" which was in part barrels of cash, gifts like fine silks and ostrich feathers and ornamental daggers studded with jewels but in large part weapons, ammunition, cannon and gun powder that they needed to prey upon other countries. That was the deal. Pay tribute and you will be left alone. You will buy protection for a certain period of time. The potentates had a menu for payments, short term, long term, or see your commercial traffic ravaged captured and all

aboard, passengers and crews, enslaved until ransomed, which was a payment apart from tribute. Two different issues.

Captured Christians could, of course, privately, if they had money, families with money, purchase their own freedom. In the Protestant countries, the chambers of commerce would pay ransom; for the Catholic Countries, there was an order of priests called the Mathurin Fathers who were stationed permanently in these Barbary cities whose daily occupation was negotiating ransom for captured Catholics.

At any given time over hundreds of years, there were thousands of Christian slaves enslaved in these Muslim towns.

The Muslims would accept payment for, say, a two-year peace, but after a year claim the European country violated the agreement in some fashion, and the Muslims would start capturing again and demand new negotiations for fresh tribute at a higher price.

Jibril Rajoub and his Balestinians are like them; chronic malcontents. They claim they want an independent state, but what they want is what they've got now. An excuse to demand gifts such as special identification cards, and tax exemptions on sporting goods. And Israel has to agree to build them soccer stadiums.

And above all, they demand that a commission be created to investigate racism in Israeli soccer.

And how does Material Israel respond? With these concessions, with these material gifts and plead with other countries that suspending Israel from FIFA would ruin international soccer by politicizing the sport. If Israel is suspended, they say, it will not stop there and political claims will sprout everywhere damaging the sport.

What Israel never does is rage at the corrupt antisemitism of it all. Israel might declare that it will have nothing to do anyone who accuses Israel of racism, for that is a monstrous, antisemitic lie.

Israel is arguably the most racially mixed people on the planet. Jews over the last 150 years returned to restore the old sod from over 100 countries and they look it. They come in all skin colors, hair textures, and eye shapes; and they marry one another.

The last thing these Arabs want is an independent state, for then they would not be able to make such demands of Israel. The so-called Balestinian State the Pope and others have recognized is wholly a welfare state that could not survive without all the cash that World AntiJewry funnels into Arab Judea and Samaria and Gaza. It is a wholly artificial community, wholly the creation, economically speaking, of non-Balestinians. Israel needs a leader to hold the mirror up to the world's ugly face and declare Balestinian Nationalism to be overwhelmingly the invention of non-Balestinians in order to continue World AntiJewry's need to bash Jews in a post-Holocaust world.

According to the Times of Israel report, at the meeting (I think in Geneva) Jibril Rajoub dramatically whipped out a red card, symbolizing a soccer referee's ejection of a player, and in apparent imitation of Bibi, who likes to use visual aids when he gives his speeches, said the card was there to symbolize "racism and humiliation in Balestine by Israel."

And when Rajoub at the last minute withdrew his demand for a vote to suspend Israel, FIFA headman Blatter hailed the solidarity that prevailed and it was "now up to Israel to help and share a bit more of Palestine."

That's right, Sepp. Israel does not share enough. Israel is greedy. This is reminiscent of a recent, revelatory crack by Obama in the matter of the rich who, he seems to think, "won the lottery in life," that was his expression. They are rich because they got lucky. And now that they are rich, they must be generous to the less lucky.

In order words, the rich are not rich because they were smarter and worked harder. They just hit the lottery.

This is like his approach to health care. It is not right that only the rich get the best health care, so the rich should be forced to share their wealth so that poor people can have the same quality health care just like them.

This is the mind of a communist. This is what Fidel Castro did as soon as he took over in Cuba. Free health care for everyone; free education for everyone; free public transportation for everyone. Demagoguery.

Obama, tutored by a communist and radical left mother, has now overturned a traditional American hostility to the Castro brothers who have behaved like every other Communist dictator.

And here is Jibril Rajoub demanding concessions from a greedy, racist Israel, and it is unfortunate the government responds in kind, on the material plane, and never on the psychological and spiritual.

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So the last segment ended with an old complaint by yours truly about the inability of Israelis including Bibi to confront head on the antisemitism lurking beneath all the hostility toward us.

It is a cousin of the secular Israeli rejection of anything having to do with religion and the connection between the Jewish religion and the "Israeli" people.

The MSM here were shocked last week when the new Deputy Foreign Ministress Tsipora Hotovely said that Israel must not hesitate to assert that the entire Land of Israel, including Judea and Samaria, belongs to the Jewish people.

Personally, I doubt she means southern Lebanon and southwestern Syria and western Jordan, but let's leave that aside. My book makes crystal clear that that is the real Eretz Yisrael.

More immediate was the point that Israel has an historic, religious claim to Judea and Samaria and it should not be ashamed to make this claim in public.

Said one anonymous Foreign Ministry operative – that is a department, by the way, notoriously the creation of Uncle Shimon -- “It's the first time anyone has asked us to use verses from the Torah for public diplomacy abroad.”

How true. And I find that astonishing even when I know the history of Israel and should not be surprised. One of the great, shameful secrets of the Zionist movement is that it sold itself to the world as the salvation of the Jewish people, when in truth, secular Zionism was about leaving the Jewish people behind; about so fundamentally changing the Jewish people as to turn them into non-Jews, into a normal people in Shimon Peres's ideology.

That, of course, means no resorting to the Bible for one's identity as the Chosen People chosen to be faithful to the Bible and its requirements of the Jewish people. Like Commandment No. 4: Keeping the Sabbath. Secular Zionists thought they didn't have to keep the Sabbath.

The link posted for this webcast, by the way, is to an article I wrote now posted on the New English Review.com website and it explains the role of anti-religion in the heads of the Oslo peace processors, the role it played in driving atheists like Rabin, Peres, Beilin and their community into wanting to rid the country of Judea and Samaria precisely because it made Israel “too Jewish,” you know, religious.

I remember when seven years ago in his last year in office, Pres. Bush, 43 came to Israel, addressed the Knesset and made some religious references to the people of Israel as the People of the Book, and you could almost hear half the chamber of MKs squirming in their seats at the religious references.

This is so odd, because if this endless bloodless is about anything it is religion, with mainstream Israelis endlessly trying to deny that and re-brand it as a nationalist conflict.

This is the conscious and explicit strategy of antiJew leftists like Beilin and Livni and the ugly journalists who write for Haaretz. I deal with this in the last chapter of my book. For post-religious Jews like them, calling this a religious conflict will not lead to peace. Better to re-define it as a political contest between nations and then a peace agreement becomes thinkable.

Trouble is -- the trouble has always been -- that on the other side, nationalism is virtually unknown. This is why Syria and Iraq and Yemen and Libya are basically no more. They have broken down into what they have always been: arenas for tribal bloodshed

And it is no accident, no coincidence, that the warring parties in these countries are religious communities. Just two days ago, two Shiite mosques in eastern Saudi Arabia

were blown up during prayers, 25 dead. And claiming credit was ISIS. The government in Riyadh is home base for Sunni Islam and ISIS is Sunni. The Saudi king's title includes Guardian of the Two Mosques, the big one in Mecca and the big one in Medina. But for ISIS, the regime is not pious enough. And this is a pattern as old as Islam. Rebels always think they are holier than the corrupt government they want to replace.

The Persian Gulf coast of Saudi Arabia, where its principle oil fields are located, is home to a minority of Shiite Arabs who because they are not Sunni have no citizenship. For ISIS, still, that is not anti-Shiite enough. They are the ones who work the oil fields and ISIS wants them out, so they bombed these two mosques and killed those two dozen people. In a 13-minute recording, ISIS ordered its devotees to "kill the enemies of Islam, especially Shiites," who, if you did not know, are not seen as Muslims at all by the Sunni. They are not an Islamic sect; they are just heretics. "They are disbelievers and apostates and it is permissible to shed their and permissible to take their money," the video said.

This is who our enemy is. These are armed, bloodthirsty, homicidal, conscienceless robbers.

For sure, the Arabs here, as my book shows, learned to talk the talk that the West wants to hear -- words of nationalism and freedom-fighting and anti-racism. They accuse Israel of humiliating them, because their own Koran orders them to humiliate the Jews.

This is who the enemy here is as well, and no amount of kowtowing to their demands, making concessions, offering partial retreats, will change them.

Tsipi Hotovely is on the right track, the more realistic, truthful track. Israel must respond to its enemies with words of religion, not political negotiations and material compromises and concessions. Our enemies must be re-branded as enemies of the Jewish religion.

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Yes, I want to hear our prime minister and other leaders address not the superficial, concrete, material demands of the Arab-Muslims who embitter our lives but the lunatic, age-old hallucinatory hatred they harbor and nurture.

It is not only Jibril Rajoub who sees Israel abusing his soccer players because Israelis are racists and want to humiliate them. JPost reported that early last week, the prime minister spoke to Ban Ki Moon, UN General-Secretary, about deleting from an upcoming report on children in the middle of armed conflicts that compares Israel -- the IDF last summer -- with Boko Harum and ISIS. You know, Boko Harum that kidnapped hundreds of Christian girls in Nigeria, and you know ISIS that enslaves Christian and Yazidi girls and uses them as concubines and as sex toys.

It is not surprising at least to yours truly that the authoress of this report is an Algerian woman whose title is Special Representative for the UN Secretary-General. What irony: the Algerians are among the most brutal people on the planet. She wrote this

report last March, and an annex makes this monstrous comparison because children were killed last summer in Gaza during Israel's self-defense operations. The Arabs notoriously hide behind them; they were killed inadvertently, as collateral damage. Israel wants this comparison, which appears in some annex to the report, to be deleted before its final submission or something to the UN Human Rights Council.

Well, it is all well and good that the prime minister is making this material effort, but where is his declaration that this is classical, age-old antisemitism, meaning, hallucinatory Jew-hatred, the belief in evil deeds by the Jews that have no basis in truth? We never think of the leader of the State of Israel, which came into being as a result of antisemitism, calling that phenomenon Israel's No. 1 problem.

He energetically demands that Iran's nuclear project be ended because of its desire to destroy the State Israel but never connects that lunatic hatred there with Nazi Germany. He never dismisses Palestinian Nationalism as just this generation's way of "legitimately" hating Jews.

It is the flip side of endlessly trying to re-brand the enemy's murderous motivations into a political framework instead of a religious one.

Three days ago on Thursday, ISIS in Sinai, which started out with the name Ansar Bayt al-Maqdis, meaning, Acolytes of the Holy Temple – the one Arafat and Erekat say never existed – posted on their website their plan to fire rockets from Sinai into Eilat, G-d forbid. This group in April killed about 30 Egyptian civilians and security people in Sinai, and in addition murdered four Egyptian policemen this month. Since attaching themselves to ISIS, the Islamic State, they see the Sinai Peninsula now as a province in that state and have changed their name accordingly to Wilayet Sina, which means Province of Sinai.

Hamas means Islamic Resistance Organization; Islamic Jihad; Fatah, al-Aqsa Brigades, Hezbollah/Party of God, these ansar boys. All are religious Islamic concepts and ideas. And Iran is run not by Iranian nationalists but a clique of priests.

As Israel continues to insist religion has nothing to do with our national struggle and the legitimate national struggle of the hallucinatory Balestinians. Israel is its own worst enemy, refusing to call a spade a spade, to confront the enemy on his terms.

This is a war on Judaism the religion, the body of beliefs and ideas that are the cement, the lifeblood, the skeleton of the Jewish nation.

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Last item: In a follow-up to my own impressions last week following the prime minister's meeting with Mogherini, namely, I thought, it was more successful that the first time, well, Makor Rishon reported that the EU has now put on hold the implementation of punishments discussed last week, like not giving visas to Jews in Judea and Samaria.

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And it seems this is the result of that meeting in which, I suspect even more now, that Bibi executed a fine song and dance about his sincere desire to see a Balestinian state arise but of course under certain conditions. I suspect he charmed her, flirted with her, convinced this woman young enough to be his daughter that he was as passionate a devotee of the two-state solution as she.

Yeah. Right.

Leila tov miEretz Yisrael.